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Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel Claims 2, 4, 6, 7, 9-12, 22, 23, 28, 30, 31, 33-36, 54 and 56. Please amend Claims 1, 3, 5, 8, 21, 24, 26, 29, 32, 50, 53 and 55. The Claim Listing below will replace all prior versions of the claims in the application:

Claim Listing

1. (Currently Amended) A plastic article, being a container in the form of a flower pot, comprising:
a first plastic portion having a series of protrusions extending therefrom and adjacent to each other, the protrusions being fins with a zigzag pattern; and
a second plastic portion molded between and over the protrusions of the first plastic portion, thereby forming a projecting protuberance on the plastic article having a desired profile, at least some of the protrusions extending into locations of the protuberance that are projected from the plastic article, the protrusions extending from the first plastic portion being contoured to provide a general approximation of the desired profile of the protuberance, the first plastic portion being an inner container portion and the second plastic portion being an outer container portion molded over the inner container portion, the protuberance forming an upper rim of the container.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Currently Amended) The article of Claim [[2]] 1 in which the protrusions each have a height and a thickness, the height being greater than the thickness.
4. (Canceled)
5. (Currently Amended) The article of Claim [[4]] 1 in which the inner container portion includes an inner pattern formed thereon for supporting a corresponding outer pattern on the outer container portion.
6. (Canceled)

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7. (Canceled)
8. (Currently Amended) The article of Claim ~~[[7]]~~ 1 in which the inner container portion has a fluted side wall.
- 9.-20. (Canceled)
21. (Currently Amended) A method of forming a plastic article, being a container in the form of a flower pot, comprising:
providing a first plastic portion having a series of protrusions extending therefrom and adjacent to each other, the protrusions being fins with a zigzag pattern, the first plastic portion being formed by injection molding in a first mold configuration; and
injection molding a second plastic portion between and over the protrusions of the first plastic portion to form a projecting protuberance on the plastic article of a desired profile, at least some of the protrusions extending into locations of the protuberance that are projected from the plastic article, the first plastic portion being an inner container portion and the second plastic portion being an outer container portion molded over the inner container portion, the protuberance being an upper rim of the container.
22. (Canceled)
23. (Canceled)
24. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim ~~[[23]]~~ 21 further comprising molding the second plastic portion over the first plastic portion in a second mold configuration.
25. (Original) The method of Claim 24 further comprising providing the first plastic portion with mineral fillers for reducing cooling time of the first plastic portion.
26. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim ~~[[23]]~~ 21 further comprising contouring the protrusions to provide a general approximation of the desired profile of the protuberance.

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27. (Original) The method of Claim 26 further comprising forming each protrusion with a height and thickness, the height being greater than the thickness.
28. (Canceled)
29. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim ~~[[28]]~~ 21 further comprising forming an inner pattern on the inner container portion for supporting a corresponding outer pattern on the outer container portion.
- 30., 31. (Canceled)
32. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim ~~[[31]]~~ 21 further comprising forming the inner container portion with a fluted side wall.
- 33.-48. (Canceled)
49. (Previously Presented) The article of Claim 1 in which the protuberance is unitary and thickened.
50. (Currently Amended) A plastic article, being a container in the form of a flower pot, comprising:
a first plastic portion having a series of protrusions extending therefrom and adjacent to each other, the protrusions being fins with a zigzag pattern; and
a second plastic portion extending between and over the protrusions of the first plastic portion, thereby forming a projecting protuberance on the plastic article having a desired profile, at least some of the protrusions extending into locations of the protuberance that are projected from the plastic article, the protrusions extending from the first plastic portion being contoured to provide a general approximation of the desired profile of the protuberance, the first plastic portion being an inner container portion and the second plastic portion being an outer container portion molded over the inner container portion, the protuberance forming an upper rim of the container.

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51. (Previously Presented) The article of Claim 50 in which the protuberance is unitary and thickened.
52. (Previously Presented) The article of Claim 51 in which the second plastic portion is molded between and over the protrusions of the first plastic portion.
53. (Currently Amended) A method of forming a plastic article, being a container in the form of a flower pot, comprising:
providing a first plastic portion having a series of protrusions extending therefrom and adjacent to each other, the protrusions being fins with a zigzag pattern, the first plastic portion being formed by injection molding in a first mold configuration;
providing the first plastic portion with mineral fillers for reducing cooling time of the first plastic portion; and
injection molding a second plastic portion between and over the protrusions of the first plastic portion in a second mold configuration to form a projecting protuberance on the plastic article of a desired profile, at least some of the protrusions extending into locations of the protuberance that are projected from the plastic article, the first plastic portion being an inner container portion and the second plastic portion being an outer container portion molded over the inner container portion, the protuberance being an upper rim of the container.
54. (Canceled)
55. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim ~~[[54]]~~ 53 further comprising forming an unitary thickened protuberance.
56. (Canceled)
57. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 21 further comprising forming a unitary thickened protuberance.